

Acknowledgments

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The people who served on the Summit Planning Committees and others acknowledged below have multiple obligations and responsibilities. Yet, they were able to participate in teleconferences, provide creative ideas, to identify potential problems, and help find solutions to these problems. They recruited other people who contributed to the success of the Summit, and identified needed resources. Their commitment to Indian housing, community, and economic development is remarkable.

National Summit Planning Group. This group provided overall planning and coordination for the National Summit. The other four planning groups, working with the National Summit Planning Group, focused on specific Summit tasks and responsibilities: (breakout session content, the trade show, Summit sponsors, and host/cultural activities). The members of each of the Summit committees are presented in the following tables.

Table 1. National Summit Planning Group	
Name	Organization
Cheryl A. Parish	CLHA – NAIHC, Bay Mills Housing Authority
Bill Blalock	Delaware Housing Authority
Darlene Tooley	Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority
S. Jack Sawyers	Utah Paiute Housing
Russell Sossamon	SPIHA, NAIHC, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
Dave Heisterkamp	UNAHA/Utah Paiute Lower Brule Housing Authority
Jeff Doty	AAHA, Region 9
Jennie Greene	Aquinnah Wampanoag Tribal Housing
Michael Cook	Oneida Nation
Susy Hay	UNAHA
David Boyd	Chehalis Tribal Housing Authority
Scott James	Region III NAIHC, UNAHA
Rodger Boyd	HUD ONAP HQ
Francis Harjo,	HUD ONAO HQ
Jennifer Bullough	HUD ONQP HQ
Kevin Fitzgibbons	HUD E/WONAP - Chicago
Walter Hillabrant	Support Services International, Inc. (SSI)
Judy Earp	Support Services International, Inc. (SSI)
Chuck Johnson	Johnson Strategy Group, Inc.
Rondelle Clay	Native American Management Systems, Inc. (NAMS)

The Breakout/Content Committee was tasked with developing the topics and content for the 3 days of the Summit. Later in the planning process, this committee worked with a panel of subject matter experts to identify presenters for the Summit Breakout Sessions

Table 2. Breakout/Content Committee	
Name	Organization
Cheryl A. Parish, Co-chair	CLHA – NAIHC, Bay Mills Housing Authority
Bill Blalock	Delaware Housing Authority
David Vought	HUD AKONAP Loan Guarantee Programs Coordinator
Randy Akers	HUD NPONAP
Deirdre J. Flood	HUD NPONAP
Kevin Fitzgibbons	HUD E/WONAP
Brian Gillen	HUD E/WONAP
Donna Hartley	HUD AKONAP
Iris Friday	HUD NWONAP
David Boyd	Chehalis Tribal Housing Authority
Betty Timm	HUD NWONAP
Jeff Doty	AAHA, Region 9
Jennie Greene	Aquinnah Wampanoag Tribal Housing
Michael Cook	Oneida Nation
Rodger Boyd	HUD ONAP HQ
Francis Harjo	HUD ONAP HQ
Jennifer Bullough	HUD ONAP HQ
Chuck Johnson, Co-chair	Johnson Strategies
Walter Hillabrant	SSI
Judy Earp	SSI

The Trade Show Committee Worked with the Hotel, the Summit contractors, and with ONAP to ensure that a broad range of stakeholders in Indian housing, community, and economic development were invited to participate as a vendor/exhibitor.

Table 3. Trade Show Committee	
Name	Organization
S. Jack Sawyer, Chair	Utah Paiute Housing
Brian Gillen	HUD E/WONAP
Dave Heisterkamp	UNAHA/Utah Paiute Lower Brule Housing Authority
Teresa Cook	HUD APONAP
Pat Conlen	HUD NWONAP
Pat Boydston	HUD NW ONAP
Michael Boyd	HUD NPONAP
Francis Harjo	HUD ONAP HQ
Kendra King Bowes	NAMS
Judy Earp	SSI

The Activities and Events Committee was tasked with helping to identify groups, organizations, and other stakeholders interested in hosting an activity, event, or other part of the Summit. These Committee members made referrals, contacted stakeholders, and suggested ways that potential hosts could be contacted.

Table 4. Sponsor Committee	
Name	Organization
Bill Zachares	HUD AKONAP
Brian Gillen	HUD E/WONAP
Diana McDonnell	HUD SPONAP
Nadine Schliebe	HUD AKONAP
Russell Sossamon	SPIHA, NAIHC, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
Michelle Chalker	HUD SPONAP
Stacy Christoffersen	HUD AKONAP
Thomas Wright	HUD ONAP HQ
Wayne Sims	HUD SPONAP
Walter Hillabrant	SSI
Rondelle Clay	NAMS
Kendra King Bowes	NAMS
Judy Earp	SSI

The Host/Cultural Committee had the responsibility for facilitating, coordinating, and working with tribes in the Nevada-Cal and Southwest area to welcome Summit participants as well as to provide culturally relevant ceremonies and activities at the Summit. Committee members recruited volunteers who provided many services needed to make the Summit a success. Committee members also assisted in identifying and confirming speakers for the Summit.

Table 5. Host/Cultural Committee	
Name	Organization
Darlene Tooley, Chair	Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority
Francis Harjo, Chair	HUD ONAP HQ
Carol Pinto	Reno/Sparks Indian Housing Authority
Raymond Gonzales	Washoe Tribe Housing Authority
Mary White	HUD E/WONAP
Kathy Ariel	HUD AKONAP
Judy Earp	SSI



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and Tuesday, September 19th and 20th

Mr. Sol Kahooalahala, Executive Director, Kahoolawe Island Reserve Commission, Honolulu,
HI who provided invocation on Day 2, September 21st

George Bennett, Vice Chair, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa, who provided
invocation on Day 3, September 22nd

Welcome Speakers

Norman Harry, Chairman, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe

Arlan Melendez, Chairman, Reno Sparks Colony

Keynote Speakers

Paula Blunt, General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing,
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D.C.

Tex G. Hall, President, National Congress of American Indians, and Chairman of the Three
Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold, New Town, ND

Lunch Speakers

Governor Bill Anoatubby, Chickasaw nation, Ada, OK

Robin Danner, President and CEO,
Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement, Honolulu, HI

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Wayne Mundy, Administrator, Alaska Region
Wayne Sims, Administrator, Southern Plains Region
Ken Bowring, Administrator, Northwest Region

Facilitators

Track 1: Deborah Webster, Director,
National Native American Program,
The Enterprise Foundation

Track 2: Chuck Johnson, Johnson Strategy Group, Inc. and
Troy Clay, Pokagan Band Housing Authority
Walter Hillabrant, Support Services International, Inc.

Track 3: Bill Nibbelink, Nibbelink Consulting

Track 4: Brian Pierson, von Brieson and Roper Law Offices

Track 5: Joanna Donohoe, Coordinator, Native Financial Education Coalition

Track 6: Kate Brown, University of Illinois and
Charles Bearfighter Reddoor, Director, Solid Waste Management, EPA

Track 7: Cynthia Gardstein, Steven Winters Associates, and
Marsh Tonkovich, ICF Consulting

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